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SITUATION

ANALYTICAL RESULTS ON PCB ANALYSIS OF 23 OF 32 SOIL SAMPLES COLLECTED AFTER CLEANING THE OFF SITE DITCH WERE RECEIVED ON 24TH AND 25TH SEPTEMBER. SEVERAL OF THESE SAMPLES HAD PCB CONCENTRATIONS OF GREATER THAN 10 PPM, THE CLEANUP LIMIT SET BY THE TEXAS WATER COMMISSION. IT DID NOT RAIN IN THE LAST 24 HOURS. A RAIN STORM IS EXPECTED TO PASS THROUGH THE SPILL AREA LATE HOURS OF SEPTEMBER 25. ANALYSIS OF THREE SOIL SAMPLES TAKEN AFTER FURTHER EXCAVATION OF AN ON-SITE SPILL AREA INDICATED PCB CONCENTRATIONS OF OVER 50 PPM.

ACTION

BES INC LOADED ON-SITE SOIL INTO TWO 50 YARD MUD TANKS ON SEPTEMBER 25. SOME SOIL STILL REMAINS ON THE SIDE PILED AT ONE PLACE. THE MUD TANKS, THE PILE AND THE SPILL AREA ARE COVERED WITH PLASTIC LINING. BES INC AND ROLLINS DUG OUT 2 TO 3 INCHES OF SOIL FROM THE OFF-SITE DITCH FROM THE SECTIONS WITH PCB CONCENTRATIONS WERE OVER 10 PPM. THEY ALSO DUG OUT SOIL FROM THE AREA FOR WHICH NO PCB ANALYSIS WERE RECEIVED. THE SOIL WAS LOADED INTO WASTE PROCESSORS INC TRUCKS FOR TRANSPORT TO DISPOSAL SITE. THE WHOLE LENGTH OF THE DITCH IS COVERED WITH PLASTIC AND IS STAKED OFF TO KEEP IT IN PLACE. THE SOIL SAMPLES ARE TAKEN FROM THE DUG OUT AREA FOR PCB ANALYSIS.

PLAN

FURTHER EXCAVATION OF THE OFF-SITE DITCH WILL BE HELD UNTIL PCB ANALYSIS FROM TODAY'S SAMPLES IS BACK. ANY RAINWATER WILL BE ALLOWED TO FLOW THROUGH THE DITCH OVER THE PLASTIC LINING. BES INC WILL DIG SOME MORE SOIL FROM ONE ON-SITE AREA AND HAVE ONE SAMPLE ANALYZED FOR PCB'S TO DETERMINE RESIDUAL PCB LEVELS IN THAT AREA.

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